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MONTANA SENATE 51st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Call to Order: By Senator Ethel Harding, on January 12,
1989, at 1:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Chairman Ethel M. Harding, Vice Chairman
Bruce Crippen, Senators R. J. Pinsoneault, Tom Beck,
Eleanor Vaughn, H. W. Hammond, Mike Walker, Gene
Thayer, Paul Boylan

Members Excused: 0

Members Absent: 0

Staff Present: Connie Erickson, Legislative Council,
Dolores Harris, Committee Secretary

Announcements/Discussion: None

HEARING ON SENATE BILL 77

Presentation and Opening Statement by Sponsor: Senator
Dennis Nathe, District 10, stated that SB 77 is raising
the permissive levy for the county road funds up to 25
mills and 27 mills for the different class counties.
This is not a tax increase. It is a county
commissioner decision to allocate county funds.

List of Testifying Proponents and What Group they Represent:

Gordon Morris, Executive Director, Montana Association
of Counties
Ken Jorgensen, Cascade county road supervisor
Jack Whitaker, chairman, Cascade county commissioners
Jim Ellis, Lewis & Clark county road supervisor

List of Testifying Opponents and What Group They Represent:

Julie Hacker, Missoula County Freeholder Association

Testimony:

Gordon Morris presented exhibit 1, a copy of a page in MACO adopted policy statement for January, 1989 - 1991; exhibit 2, and exhibit 3 which are copies of pages from Montana counties budget report.

The road levy bill was enacted in 1968 and last amended in 1981. We are now looking at 1989 and we are providing road construction and maintenance in the face of increased costs by way of increased salaries and increased equipment costs, and we're doing a better job in 1989 less expensively. This proposal raises the cap and will enable county commissioners to shift budget amounts to areas of road need. Mr. Morris asks this committee for favorable consideration on SB 77.

Ken Jorgensen gave testimony in favor of SB 77. See exhibit 4.

Jack Whitaker stated the seriousness of keeping the roads in shape with personnel and equipment. Cascade county used revenue sharing funds in 1973. The equipment inventory shows that road equipment dates back to the early 70s. Some of their trucks have 200,000 miles and they repair and paint and keep using the old equipment. Cascade counties all purpose mills are down 1 mill. The rural mill is down from 32 to 30. We desperately need new road equipment.

Jim Ellis stated all the counties are in the same financial condition as Cascade. The county roads are in deplorable condition throughout the state. I hope you will take favorable action.

Julie Hacker gave testimony opposing SB 77. See exhibit 5.

Questions From Committee Members: Senator Crippen asked Gordon Morris to explain how this bill relates to I 105 and SB 71. Mr. Morris responded that the only way a levy can be increased within the current statutory limitation would be offsetting that increase with a decrease somewhere else. SB 71 which was enacted in 1977 as stated by the attorney general's opinion, indicates that the only way commissioners can increase a road levy is offset by a decrease in some other levy so that the aggregate total individual tax liability did not increase. Senator Beck asked if commissioners could accomplish the same thing with a multipurpose levy? Mr. Morris answers no, the all purpose levy is against the property in the entirety of the county. The road levy is only against the property outside the

SENATE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

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incorporated city limits so you have an all purpose county wide budget and those levies that are assessed only against the property outside cities; these include planning, roads, and health. Senator Beck asked, if assessments decrease, can counties add more levies. In other words, is the cap a dollar amount. Mr. Morris answered, yes, the cap is a dollar amount and counties can increase mills to reach that cap. Senator Pinsoneault asked if the mill levy increase was attached to a dollar amount. Mr. Morris answered we took a look at the road levy and thought it should be viewed as comparable to the county general fund levy, and as a result we went for the same mills in the general fund levy.

Senator Beck asked if 1st class counties wanted an amendment to be excluded from this bill. Mr. Whitaker answered that 10 mills will generate about \$300,000. In some areas we are at our dollar cap. SB 77 would help commissioners with budget planning.

Senator Crippen asked Julie Hacker what her objection was to SB 77 as we're still staying within the freeze. If you have a protest because roads are taking from health or some other area, you can go to the county commissioners. Ms. Hacker responded that several years ago the legislature voted to give county commissioners \$500,000.00 unlimited bonding authority to buy road equipment and in her county it was used to finance a public golf course. Discretionary levies, although intended to serve the need, ends up with the necessary services, such as police protection, being cut. A lot of the problems are in the mechanics of government not agreeing with public wishes. She asked for legislative prioritized services.

Closing by Sponsor: Senator Nathe stated there has been good discussion. The purpose of the bill was brought out. This is merely a permissive mill levy in SB 77. I close.

DISPOSITION OF SENATE BILL 77

Discussion: None

Amendments and Votes: None

Recommendation and Vote: Senator Beck MOVED that the committee DO PASS SB 77. Senators in favor, 8; Senator Boylan opposed, 1. Motion carried.

ROLL CALL

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

COMMITTEE

51th LEGISLATIVE SESSION -- 1989

Date 1-12-89

NAME	PRESENT	ABSENT	EXCUSED
Sen. Ethel Harding	X		
Sen. R.J. "Dick" Pinsoneault	X		
Sen. Tom Beck	<i>tardy</i> X		
Sen. Eleanor Vaughn	X		
Sen. H.W. "Swede" Hammond	X		
Sen. Mike Walker	X		
Sen. Gene Thayer		X <i>tardy</i> absent	
Sen. Paul Boylan	X		
Sen. Bruce D. Crippen	X		

Each day attach to minutes.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

January 12, 1989

MR. PRESIDENT:

We, your committee on Local Government, having had under consideration SB 77 (first reading copy -- white), respectfully report that SB 77 do pass.

DO PASS

Signed: Ethel H. Harding

Ethel H. Harding, Chairman

12/13/89
11:00

BASIC PHILOSOPHY

DATE 1-12-89BILL NO. 77

TRANSPORTATION

It shall be the policy of the Montana Association of Counties to:

- 1) Promote, offer suggestions and new ideas, investigate methods and research costs of providing improved and economical transportation for the public.
- 2) Coordinate transportation planning for all units of local government below the state level.
- 3) Consciously use and plan county roads as tools to encourage proper land use. The location of roads is a major factor in the pattern of controlled land development. Carefully planned road locations and reconstruction may promote proper land use.
- 4) Encourage improvements in signing, reconstruction and new construction based on a thorough study of available information. Efforts should be directed to develop a road and sign inventory using a uniform system.
- 5) Urge legislation or policy aimed at placing disposition of road funds at the county level.
- 6) Work with individual counties to develop road standards applicable to the county situation.
- 7) Pursue the development of planning, design, construction and specifications manuals for county government and seek state or federal funding for the project.
- 8) Obtain a permissive levy for county roads to allow county government to meet their transportation obligation to the citizens and to pursue other alternatives to funding roads.
- 9) Work with the Department of Highways on the maintenance responsibilities of unclassified roads.
- 10) Seek legislation to require state maintenance of all secondary roads that were completely paved by counties prior to 1977.
- 11) Seek legislation to broaden tax levy authority under MCA 7-14-2502 to allow a maximum bridge levy of 8 mills.
- 12) Seek legislation to secure state and federal assistance in the construction and maintenance of roads used for recreational purposes or for access to public lands while granting counties greater discretion in determining road status and funding priorities.

INFRASTRUCTURE FUND

Montana Counties support legislation that would create a State Infrastructure Fund designed to address the needs of Montana as they are identified in the Governor's Infrastructure Task Force Report, as submitted to the 1985 Legislature, and by local communities.

FY 1989 COUNTY ROAD FUND BUDGETS

BUDGETED PROPERTY TAX REQUIREMENTS

 EXHIBIT NO. 2
 DATE 1-12-89
 BILL NO. 77

COUNTY	COUNTY ONLY POPULATION	COUNTY ONLY MILL VALUE	TOTAL BUDGETED EXPENDITURES	TOTAL NON-TAX REVENUES	PROPERTY TAX REVENUE	FY 88-89 MILL LEVY	PER CAPITA LEVY	BUDGETED CASH RESERVE
BEAVERHEAD	4,050	\$11,188	\$550,533	\$261,500	\$145,447	13.000	\$35.91	\$31,000
BIG HORN	7,720	\$102,463	\$1,445,034	\$126,500	\$930,056	9.077	\$120.47	\$289,007
BLAINE	4,330	\$28,861	\$819,577	\$130,001	\$429,800	14.892	\$99.26	\$100,000
BROADWATER	1,480	\$9,692	\$247,209	\$93,131	\$52,095	5.375	\$35.20	\$81,579
CARBON	4,650	\$21,605	\$527,940	\$183,800	\$258,144	11.948	\$55.51	\$175,980
CARTER	1,170	\$4,811	\$327,000	\$98,577	\$86,598	18.000	\$74.02	\$148,899
CASCADE	20,270	\$35,723	\$1,242,356	\$581,381	\$535,845	15.000	\$26.44	\$117,308
CHOUTEAU	3,250	\$23,570	\$911,524	\$191,600	\$353,550	15.000	\$108.78	\$125,000
CUSTER	3,630	\$7,803	\$340,551	\$90,935	\$161,658	20.717	\$44.53	\$44,070
DANIELS	1,220	\$5,459	\$325,862	\$71,603	\$98,259	17.999	\$80.54	\$0
DAWSON	5,370	\$15,537	\$520,162	\$260,910	\$233,060	15.000	\$43.40	\$77,845
DEER LODGE	10,700	\$8,680	\$442,506	\$0	\$0	0.000	\$0.00	\$0
FALLON	1,210	\$68,358	\$1,423,101	\$76,585	\$399,139	5.839	\$329.87	\$368,275
FERGUS	4,950	\$14,604	\$531,138	\$290,149	\$219,045	14.999	\$44.25	\$76,728
FLATHEAD	38,260	\$59,704	\$2,960,055	\$1,795,400	\$865,709	14.500	\$22.63	\$592,344
GALLATIN	17,330	\$35,803	\$1,042,148	\$427,133	\$483,705	13.510	\$27.91	\$224,417
GARFIELD	1,250	\$6,267	\$263,500	\$105,750	\$112,801	17.999	\$90.24	\$76,131
GLACIER	6,170	\$29,380	\$768,800	\$142,175	\$440,685	14.999	\$71.42	\$153,760
GOLDEN VALLEY	610	\$4,526	\$144,000	\$15,435	\$81,468	18.000	\$133.55	\$48,000
GRANITE	1,030	\$6,076	\$259,031	\$117,082	\$109,368	18.000	\$106.18	\$86,343
HILL	6,970	\$28,580	\$748,480	\$163,515	\$428,700	15.000	\$61.51	\$227,000
JEFFERSON	5,520	\$18,927	\$552,930	\$204,503	\$240,181	12.690	\$43.51	\$182,466
JUDITH BASIN	1,780	\$7,841	\$391,576	\$250,650	\$174,360	22.237	\$97.96	\$0
LAKE	14,730	\$25,427	\$995,000	\$306,417	\$381,139	14.990	\$25.88	\$303,947
LEWIS & CLARK	19,700	\$28,108	\$915,554	\$462,800	\$404,502	14.391	\$20.53	\$136,000
LIBERTY	1,290	\$13,118	\$538,749	\$158,476	\$188,375	14.360	\$146.03	\$25,000
LINCOLN	13,470	\$31,505	\$1,879,855	\$1,555,622	\$0	0.000	\$0.00	\$0
MADISON	3,830	\$14,525	\$361,091	\$64,566	\$152,655	10.510	\$39.86	\$48,524
MCCONE	1,670	\$7,776	\$314,729	\$188,350	\$139,962	17.999	\$83.81	\$82,153
MEAGHER	890	\$7,200	\$265,817	\$74,645	\$128,805	17.890	\$144.72	\$28,000
MINERAL	2,390	\$7,762	\$246,513	\$179,673	\$0	0.000	\$0.00	\$0
MISSOULA	43,740	\$69,129	\$2,299,360	\$1,125,702	\$956,316	13.834	\$21.86	\$220,796

FY 1989 COUNTY ROAD FUND BUDGETS

BUDGETED PROPERTY TAX REQUIREMENTS

COUNTY	COUNTY ONLY POPULATION	COUNTY ONLY MILL VALUE	TOTAL BUDGETED EXPENDITURES	TOTAL NON-TAX REVENUES	PROPERTY TAX REVENUE	FY 88-89 MILL LEVY	PER CAPITA LEVY	BUDGETED CASH RESERVE
MUSSELSHELL	1,790	\$12,444	\$201,218	\$78,892	\$118,332	9.509	\$66.11	\$50,780
PARK	6,290	\$12,354	\$409,280	\$187,306	\$143,804	11.640	\$22.86	\$55,200
PETROLEUM	380	\$2,896	\$167,400	\$109,000	\$8,688	3.000	\$22.86	\$18,107
PHILLIPS	2,570	\$30,377	\$937,000	\$212,160	\$455,655	15.000	\$177.30	\$293,896
PONDERA	3,150	\$14,701	\$506,088	\$148,050	\$280,515	15.000	\$70.00	\$70,000
POWDER RIVER	1,690	\$16,754	\$434,770	\$79,795	\$97,820	5.839	\$57.88	\$122,542
POWELL	2,850	\$8,502	\$507,645	\$232,267	\$127,530	15.000	\$44.75	\$103,143
PRAIRIE	730	\$3,779	\$213,500	\$68,150	\$52,910	14.001	\$72.48	\$70,320
RAVALLI	19,110	\$22,612	\$900,060	\$416,245	\$284,464	12.580	\$14.89	\$210,000
RICHLAND	5,710	\$60,620	\$2,308,989	\$329,945	\$909,285	15.000	\$159.24	\$25,000
ROOSEVELT	5,250	\$40,882	\$1,248,901	\$92,650	\$613,228	15.000	\$116.81	\$416,300
ROSEBUD	9,660	\$212,457	\$1,527,329	\$241,625	\$697,920	3.285	\$72.25	\$485,199
SANDERS	5,610	\$27,363	\$983,993	\$484,750	\$426,877	15.601	\$76.09	\$76,682
SHERIDAN	2,130	\$36,212	\$1,080,000	\$216,350	\$434,674	12.004	\$204.07	\$191,500
SILVER BOW	34,000	\$37,454	\$1,597,797	\$1,021,189	\$346,381	9.248	\$10.19	\$129,163
STILLWATER	4,610	\$16,102	\$415,792	\$108,796	\$289,836	18.000	\$62.87	\$89,331
SWEET GRASS	1,580	\$5,275	\$156,054	\$64,364	\$94,954	18.001	\$60.10	\$31,042
TETON	3,540	\$13,582	\$440,000	\$125,207	\$250,501	18.430	\$70.76	\$26,842
TOOLE	1,760	\$27,382	\$586,800	\$65,500	\$246,429	9.000	\$140.02	\$195,218
TREASURE	500	\$4,174	\$169,203	\$20,270	\$92,127	22.072	\$184.25	\$53,378
VALLEY	4,320	\$25,689	\$800,000	\$381,650	\$385,341	15.000	\$89.20	\$247,001
WHEATLAND	910	\$6,615	\$244,000	\$28,330	\$119,067	18.000	\$130.84	\$61,000
WIBAUX	650	\$16,238	\$590,761	\$150,001	\$227,329	14.000	\$349.74	\$20,000
YELLOWSTONE	32,240	\$81,893	\$2,213,683	\$1,007,495	\$1,228,395	15.000	\$38.10	\$840,819
TOTAL	405,660	\$1,496,375	\$43,241,944	\$15,670,553	\$17,063,489	11.403	\$42.06	7,953,035
FY 88 TOTAL	405,660	\$1,530,173	\$43,672,144	\$15,943,865	\$17,162,487	11.216	\$42.31	7,585,546
% CHANGE		-2.3%	-1.0%	-1.7%	-0.6%	1.6%	-0.6%	4.6%

County
Roads

FY 1989 COUNTY ROAD FUND BUDGETS

BUDGETED EXPENDITURES BY FUNCTION

SENATE LOCAL GOVERNMENT
EXHIBIT NO. 3
DATE 1-12-89
BILL NO. 77

COUNTY	COUNTY ROAD MILEAGE	GENERAL GOVERNMENTAL	PUBLIC WORKS	DEBT SERVICE	TOTAL BUDGETED EXPENDITURES	EXPENDITURES PER MILE	(2)	(7)
BEAVERHEAD	1,552	\$0	\$550,533	\$0	\$550,533	\$355	14	40
BIG HORN	1,525	\$0	\$1,445,034	\$0	\$1,445,034	\$947	15	11
BLAINE	2,062	\$0	\$819,577	\$0	\$819,577	\$398	5	33
BROADWATER	813	\$1,000	\$246,209	\$0	\$247,209	\$304	43	45
CARBON	858	\$0	\$527,940	\$0	\$527,940	\$616	40	22
CARTER	838	\$6,000	\$321,000	\$0	\$327,000	\$390	41	35
CASCADE	1,594	\$0	\$1,242,356	\$0	\$1,242,356	\$779	11	13
CHOUTEAU	2,803	\$0	\$911,524	\$0	\$911,524	\$325	2	43
CUSTER	922	\$0	\$340,551	\$0	\$340,551	\$369	37	38
DANIELS	974	\$4,366	\$321,246	\$250	\$325,862	\$335	35	42
DAWSON	1,396	\$350	\$519,257	\$555	\$520,162	\$373	20	37
DEER LODGE	314	\$0	\$442,506	\$0	\$442,506	\$1,409	56	6
FALLON	810	\$0	\$1,423,101	\$0	\$1,423,101	\$1,757	44	3
FERGUS	1,673	\$0	\$531,138	\$0	\$531,138	\$318	9	44
FLATHEAD	2,064	\$0	\$2,960,055	\$0	\$2,960,055	\$1,434	4	5
GALLATIN	1,395	\$31,711	\$1,010,437	\$0	\$1,042,148	\$747	21	16
GARFIELD	1,165	\$0	\$263,500	\$0	\$263,500	\$226	29	54
GLACIER	997	\$0	\$768,800	\$0	\$768,800	\$771	33	14
GOLDEN VALLEY	641	\$0	\$144,000	\$0	\$144,000	\$225	50	55
GRANITE	654	\$0	\$259,031	\$0	\$259,031	\$396	49	34
HILL	3,256	\$0	\$748,280	\$200	\$748,480	\$230	1	53
JEFFERSON	837	\$0	\$552,930	\$0	\$552,930	\$661	42	21
JUDITH BASIN	1,121	\$0	\$391,576	\$0	\$391,576	\$349	31	41
LAKE	1,140	\$26,000	\$969,000	\$0	\$995,000	\$873	30	12
LEWIS & CLARK	1,334	\$0	\$915,554	\$0	\$915,554	\$686	22	19
LIBERTY	1,298	\$0	\$538,749	\$0	\$538,749	\$415	24	31
LINCOLN	1,795	\$0	\$1,879,855	\$0	\$1,879,855	\$1,047	7	9
MADISON	1,218	\$0	\$361,091	\$0	\$361,091	\$296	27	46
MCCONE	1,555	\$0	\$314,729	\$0	\$314,729	\$202	13	56
MEAGHER	730	\$0	\$265,817	\$0	\$265,817	\$364	46	39
MINERAL	895	\$2,300	\$244,213	\$0	\$246,513	\$275	38	49
MISSOULA	1,510	\$0	\$2,299,360	\$0	\$2,299,360	\$1,523	16	4

FY 1989 COUNTY ROAD FUND BUDGETS

BUDGETED EXPENDITURES BY FUNCTION

COUNTY	COUNTY ROAD MILEAGE	GENERAL GOVERNMENTAL	PUBLIC WORKS	DEBT. SERVICE	TOTAL BUDGETED EXPENDITURES	EXPENDITURES PER MILE	(2)	(7)
MUSSELSHELL	709	\$250	\$200,968	\$0	\$201,218	\$284	47	47
PARK	869	\$0	\$409,280	\$0	\$409,280	\$471	39	26
PETROLEUM	661	\$800	\$166,600	\$0	\$167,400	\$253	48	52
PHILLIPS	1,859	\$0	\$937,000	\$0	\$937,000	\$504	6	24
PONDERA	1,224	\$0	\$506,088	\$0	\$506,088	\$413	26	32
POWDER RIVER	1,030	\$0	\$434,770	\$0	\$434,770	\$422	32	30
POWELL	970	\$0	\$507,645	\$0	\$507,645	\$523	36	23
PRAIRIE	800	\$3,060	\$210,440	\$0	\$213,500	\$267	45	50
RAVALLI	1,311	\$0	\$900,060	\$0	\$900,060	\$687	23	18
RICHLAND	1,248	\$2,500	\$2,306,489	\$0	\$2,308,989	\$1,850	25	2
ROOSEVELT	1,640	\$0	\$1,248,901	\$0	\$1,248,901	\$762	10	15
ROSEBUD	1,456	\$0	\$1,527,329	\$0	\$1,527,329	\$1,049	18	8
SANDERS	1,472	\$0	\$983,993	\$0	\$983,993	\$668	17	20
SHERIDAN	1,454	\$0	\$1,080,000	\$0	\$1,080,000	\$743	19	17
SILVER BOW	636	\$0	\$1,597,797	\$0	\$1,597,797	\$2,512	51	1
STILLWATER	981	\$750	\$415,042	\$0	\$415,792	\$424	34	29
SWEET GRASS	606	\$0	\$156,054	\$0	\$156,054	\$258	52	51
TETON	1,557	\$0	\$440,000	\$0	\$440,000	\$283	12	48
TOOLE	1,204	\$0	\$586,800	\$0	\$586,800	\$487	28	25
TREASURE	377	\$7,725	\$161,478	\$0	\$169,203	\$449	55	27
VALLEY	2,120	\$0	\$800,000	\$0	\$800,000	\$377	3	36
WHEATLAND	558	\$0	\$244,000	\$0	\$244,000	\$437	54	28
WIBAUX	588	\$0	\$589,761	\$1,000	\$590,761	\$1,005	53	10
YELLOWSTONE	1,702	\$0	\$2,213,683	\$0	\$2,213,683	\$1,301	8	7
TOTAL	68,772	\$86,812	\$43,153,127	\$2,005	\$43,241,944	\$629		
FY 88 TOTAL		\$48,848	\$43,545,517	\$77,779	\$43,622,144	\$635		
% CHANGE		43.7%	-0.9%	-3779.3%	-1.0%	-1.0%		

SENATE LOCAL GOVERNMENT

EXHIBIT NO. 4

DATE 1-12-89

BILL NO. 77

Cascade County

State of Montana

TELEPHONE: (406) 761-6700

Great Falls, Montana 59401

January 12, 1989

Chairperson and Members of Senate Local Government Committee

I am Ken Jorgensen, Road Supervisor of Cascade County and I am in support of Senate Bill 77.

A little background information, Cascade County maintains 1,600 miles of county roads and has the following sources of funding; Mill Levy, License Fees, and Gas Tax.

In 1967 the State Legislature allowed an increase in the number of mills from 10 - 12 mills, then in 1981 an increase from 12 - 15 mills. The value of the mill in 1979 was 33,857, in 1989 the value is 35,723.

Mills levied for rural road purposes are only levied on properties outside of incorporated cities and towns.

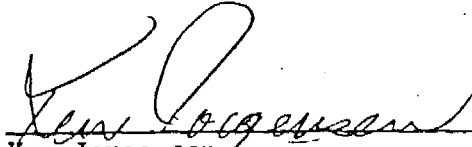
License Fees - In 1975 the State Legislature in an attempt to help cities, increased the cities share of license fees from 25% to 50% - resulting in a loss of \$ 100,000 annually to the Cascade County road department.

Gas Tax - In 1975 the Legislature attempted to offset this loss by passing an increase in gas tax that increased our share of gas tax by \$ 50,000, thus leaving a net annual loss of \$ 50,000. Cascade County receives gas tax monies in the amount of \$ 234,000 annually.

Because of our inability under statutory laws to increase our mill levy, license fees, gas tax, we have been forced to reduce personnel and have not been able to replace aging equipment.

As you know one of the major industries in Montana is Agriculture, and the bloodline of that industry are the rural roads. The rural road system is underfunded at the present time and less than able to provide the services that maintain the county roads in a safe and adequate manner.

I therefore ask support of this committee to allow the counties the ability to increase the mill levy so as to provide those essentials services


Ken Jorgensen

Julie Hacker
Miss. Co. Freeholders
SB 77

Missoula County Freeholders Association wishes to go on
record in strong opposition to Senate Bill 77.

SENATE LOCAL GOVERNMENT

EXHIBIT NO. 5

DATE 1-12-89

BILL NO. 77

We are early into the session and we already observe government working for government and we are wondering who cares about the taxpayer and if anybody is taking him into consideration and working for him. Since the inception and passage of I-105 we have listened to a parade of government officials complaining about the lack of funds, berating the electorate who voted for the measure, and declaring the freeze is creating all kinds of havoc out in the hinterlands of the state. We inquired in our county after an article appeared in the paper about all the people who wanted more services and were informed that there had been a few calls to general services, that's all. The fact is that government officials will find a way to spend as much money as they can get. Some county governments far exceed their legislatively mandated duties and make the choice to fund all the discretionary ones, too. We believe that when the people passed I-105 they asked for less government.

In Missoula County, we find that the road department is contributing to its own problems. In Potomac, they graded the roads and removed all the fines into the barrow pit or the fenceline. In Ninemile the residents requested a permanent fund be established to best control the road and what they got was a short stretch paved and the rest of the folks eat dirt. The people had a plan but the officials refused to cooperate.

Additionally, we believe that state and local governments are destroying the tax base by creative funding such as tax-increment districts, taking property off the tax rolls by agencies such as park districts and housing authorities, resulting in a larger burden for the remaining freeholders. Missoula's housing authority just took 31 more houses off. We suggest that you ammend the bill and strike out 25 mils for first-class counties and leave it at 15. We do not speak for second and third class counties. If those people wish to pay 25 mils, that's ok with us.

We also believe that you could solve some of the county budget problems if you got rid of the ear-marked funds and legislatively prioritized essential services. giving people a guarantee that they will have road services and general government, and law enforcement.

Please ammend this bill or kill it and let the people's initiative stand for the people.

Missoula County Freeholders

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VISITORS' REGISTER

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(Please leave prepared statement with Secretary)

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 51st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON SENATE BILL 77

Call to Order: By Chairman Tom Beck, on March 22, 1989, at 9:00 A.M.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Senator Beck, Senator Nathe and Senator Vaughn.
Representative Guthrie, Representative Johnson,
and Representative Darko.

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Mark Bennett, Amendments Coordinator

DISPOSITION OF SENATE BILL 77

Discussion: Gordon Morris explains what he and Senator Beck talked about earlier this morning. He felt that the last House amendment made the bill redundant in terms of current state law. "This allows commissioners to submit a question to the voters to exceed the statutory mill levy limitations already set. The only difference would be you submit the questions to the voters and that authority is limited to a two year period. If you were simply looking at getting authority to go beyond the current statutory limits for the road levy you could do that...You don't submit questions to the voters where there is only one answer to be sought. This is not a case you can say no to...The limits that were proposed in the bill is introduced 25 to 27 respectively."

Senator Beck - "The last amendments on the bill. Evidently, the amendments that were put in going from 25 to 20 and 27 to 23, were they defeated? They were put in the bill on March 4. Then on March 7, we go over here to the amendments--it shows 25 back to 15 and 27 back to 18. Am I correct in saying, they were put back?"

Representative Johnson - "That was done on the floor."

Senator Beck - "Is this committee in favor or not in favor of getting rid of section (b) in section one of the bill. 'The board of county commissioners may not levy more than 10 mills in addition without an election of the people.' How does the

committee feel on that?"

Representative Guthrie - "I was going to support the 5 mills not the 10 mills."

Senator Beck - "How about the election by the people? Get that out of the bill."

Representative Guthrie - "That's what I wanted."

Senator Beck indicated there was a motion on the floor to strike "(a)" on line 13 and strike all of the language on line 23 on page 1, continuing to line 2, on page 2.

The motion carried unanimously with the House and the Senate voting yes.

Senator Beck explained that 76-25-31 of the codes dealt with the election by the people..."It says you can already do that with a voted levy."

Senator Beck stated, "The last amendment in this bill was from 20 to 15 mills. Let's strike that amendment and go back to 20 and 23 mills on line 17 and line 19."

Representative Darko indicated that was her amendment that Senator Beck wanted to strike.

Senator Beck stated there was a motion on the floor to strike the language on line 17 the number "15" and insert "20" and on line 19 strike "18" and insert "23".

The motion carried unanimously with both the House and the Senate voting yes.

Representative Darko - "There are going to be some questions over in the House as far as transfer of moneys from other funds and where exactly is this money going to come from. Is it going to come from other mill levies or other designated budgets like general funds. We can't increase the over all debt load."

Senator Beck - "The only time this is going to take affect Paula (Representative Darko) in my estimation is if valuation starts to drop. You are capped at dollar figures. If valuation drops in your county, you can increase the mills...The other thing if you can't transfer out of the general fund because the road mill levy is not an equal mill levy to the general fund."

Senator Nathe - "It's got to be a county mill...The only thing that's a county mill is soil conservation."

Senator Beck - "Yes, your soil conservation district. Maybe rodent control or something like that."

Senator Nathe - "There are some fund transfers, aren't there?"

Senator Beck indicated there were. He stated that one could not get into the general fund and go into the road fund...Senator Beck asked the committee if they knew of any funds that could be transferred specifically.

Senator Nathe explained that there are some federal funds that can be transferred.

Representative Darko - "They (The House) were wondering about timber receipts money."

Senator Beck - "Timber receipts money is on and above this mill levy...When we got to talking about the mills, you are not transferring funds. But if you need a rodent control program then you can take a mill off for rodent control. You can't take money out of rodent control. There is a definite cap on here. That is not going to let this get too far out of place...They can't use general fund money, either."

Senator Beck indicated the title will have to changed on line 8. Also he stated that the mills in the title had to be changed down to 20 and 23. "In fourth, fifth, sixth, and seventh class counties from 18 mills to 23 mills and in all other counties from 15 mills to 20 mills;"

The motion carried unanimously with both the House and the Senate voting yes.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment At: 9:17 A.M.


SENATOR TOM BECK, CHAIRMAN

ROLL CALL

CONFERENCE

COMMITTEE - SENATE BILL 77

51st LEGISLATIVE SESSION -- 1989

Date 3-22-89

NAME	PRESENT	ABSENT	EXCUSED
SEN. TOM BECK	X		
SEN. DENNIS NATHE	X		
SENATOR ELEANOR VAUGHN	X		
REP. BERT GUTHRIE	X		
REP. JOHN JOHNSON	X		
REP. PAULA DARKO	X		

Each day attach to minutes.

Conference Committee Report
on SB 77
Report No. 1, March 22, 1989

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON SB 77
March 22, 1989
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Mr President and Mr. Speaker:

We, your Conference Committee on SB 77 met and considered:

1. The House Committee of Whole amendments to SB 77 (third reading copy -- blue) offered by Rep. Darko and dated March 4, 1989.
2. The House Committee of the Whole amendments to SB 77 (third reading copy -- blue) offered by Rep. Boharski and dated March 7, 1989.

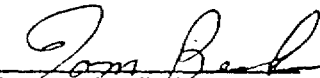
We recommend that SB 77 (reference copy -- salmon) be amended as follows:

1. Title, lines 4 and 5.
Strike: "TO" on line 4 through "COMMISSIONERS" on line 5
2. Title, line 8.
Following: "25"
Strike: "BY UP TO 10"
Insert: "IN FOURTH, FIFTH, SIXTH, AND SEVENTH CLASS COUNTIES FROM 18 MILLS TO 23 MILLS AND IN ALL OTHER COUNTIES FROM 15 MILLS TO 20"
Following: "MILLS"
Strike: "IF APPROVED BY THE ELECTORATE"
3. Page 1, line 13.
Strike: "[A]"
4. Page 1, line 17.
Following: "20"
Strike: "15"
Insert: "20"
5. Page 1, line 19.
Following: "23"
Strike: "18"
Insert: "23"
6. Page 1, line 23 through page 2, line 2.
Strike: subsection [B] in its entirety

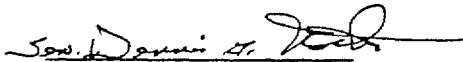
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And that this Conference Committee Report be adopted.

FOR THE SENATE


Sen. Beck, Chairman


Sen. Vaughn


Sen. Nathe

FOR THE HOUSE


Rep. Darko


Rep. Johnson


Rep. Guthrie

ADOPT

REJECT

SENATE BILL NO. 77

INTRODUCED BY NATHE, BECK

A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ~~TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS~~ TO RAISE THE COUNTY ROAD MILL LEVY IN FOURTH, FIFTH, SIXTH, AND SEVENTH CLASS COUNTIES FROM 18 MILLS TO 23 MILLS AND IN ALL OTHER COUNTIES FROM 15 MILLS TO 20 MILLS IF APPROVED BY THE ELECTORATE; AMENDING SECTION 7-14-2501, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

Section 1. Section 7-14-2501, MCA, is amended to read:

"7-14-2501. General road tax authorized. (1) (A) To raise revenue for the construction, maintenance, or improvement of public highways, each board of county commissioners may levy a general tax upon the taxable property in the county of not more than ~~15~~ 25 ~~20~~ 15 20 mills, except in fourth, fifth, sixth, and seventh class counties, which may levy not more than ~~18~~ 27 ~~23~~ 18 23 mills, payable to the county treasurer. The tax from freeholders shall be collected the same as other taxes, and from nonfreeholders, as the board may direct.

~~(B) THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MAY LEVY NOT MORE THAN 10 MILLS IN ADDITION TO THE APPROPRIATE NUMBER OF MILLS AUTHORIZED IN SUBSECTION (1) (A) IF THE ELECTORATE OF THE COUNTY SUBJECT TO THE TAX APPROVES THE IMPOSITION OF THE ADDITIONAL LEVY AT A GENERAL OR SPECIAL ELECTION.~~

(2) This section shall not apply to incorporated cities and towns which by ordinance provide for the levy of a like tax for road, street, or alley purposes.

(3) All money collected under this section shall belong to the county road fund."

NEW SECTION. **Section 2.** Effective date. [This act] is effective July 1, 1989.

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HEARING ON SENATE 77

Presentation and Opening Statement by Sponsor:

Senator Dennis Nathe, District 10, stated that this is an act to raise the county road mil levy in 4, 5, 6, and 7 class counties from 18 mils to 27 mils and in all other counties from 15 mils to 25 mils. There is presently 5 or 6 counties that are over that milage.

Testifying Proponents and Who They Represent:

Gordon Morris, Montana Association of Counties

Proponent Testimony:

Gordon Morris stated that this bill is a reflection of the association's policy on transportation. Exhibit 1. There are 68,000 miles of roads in Montana so for every mile of road there are 12 people paying the taxes necessary to build and maintain those roads. Road and bridge maintenance in Montana is extremely high in Montana. This is not a permissive levy since there is a cap on the amount. It is an effort to increase the maximum allowable under law for road maintenance. There is no rationale for the new numbers - they are arbitrary. County road fund budgets and mil levies are available. Exhibit 2. There are 31 counties that are at or currently exceeding the statutory levy. The per capita levy is \$42.06 per person to maintain county roads. This does not include the roads within a municipality. On the face it appears to be a property tax increase and at some point it probably will be an increase. The fiscal note, in his opinion, is not required but page three points out technical or mechanical defects and there are none. I-105 is in place so taxes are frozen and this does not represent an automatic tax increase but "like levies" would have to be cut to remain within the guidelines of I-105.

Testifying Opponents and Who They Represent:

Tom Hopgood, Montana Association of Realtors
Julie Hacker, Missoula County Freeholders' Association

Opponent Testimony:

Tom Hopgood presented himself as a cautionary voice. This increase would be subject to the provisions of I-105 and when the road levies are increased, other programs will have to be cut back.

Julie Hacker stated that this bill isn't needed. Exhibit 3.

Questions From Committee Members: Rep. Wallin asked Sen. Nathe why, since only 5 of the 56 counties are having problems, is the bill needed. Sen. Nathe said the 5 counties are exceeding the statutory limit and 23 more counties are at the limit. The county commissioners stand for re-election and they probably won't abuse their power since they are responsible people. The county commissioners are answerable every day to their constituents and the Legislature is only here for ninety days and are not as answerable to the people. The Legislature would be derelict if they did not help the counties and commissioners should be given flexibility.

Rep. Good asked Mr. Morris to comment on what is meant by a "like levy" and where can the counties cut. Mr. Morris stated that the comment about "like levies" is a levy assessed against the same property within the county - it is a county only levy. It is not applied to any property within an incorporated limits of a municipality. Therefore, if the county chose to increase under this proposal they would have to find a county only levy and reduce mils so that the road levy could be increased. County only levies are road, health, planning and library. One of those programs would have to be reduced to accommodate the increase in the road levy. County commissioners presently have the authority to prioritize funding for different programs.

Rep. Hansen asked Mr. Morris if the 25 mils would be mandatory. Mr. Morris stated that they only had to levy as many mils as required but they cannot go over unless there are certain conditions. The county would have to reduce mils somewhere else to increase the mil levies.

Rep. Rehberg asked Mr. Morris what other means the counties used to go over the limit. Mr. Morris stated that the rule of 15-7-122 cited in the fiscal note gives the counties the authority to increase by 105% regardless of statutory limits if there is a decrease in taxable value and inflation. Some counties have used it but rarely. The cities use it more often.

Rep. Guthrie asked Mr. Morris to further explain Judith Basin's road fund levy which is considerably over the 105%. Mr. Morris said that it should be looked at cumulatively, that is, you can go 105% in successive years as long as you have the necessary ingredients of loss of taxable value and inflationary considerations. Judith Basin's problem is probably an accumulation of 2 or 3 years.

Closing by Sponsor: Senator Nathe closed. Rep. Hansen will carry the bill on the House floor for Sen. Nathe.

DISPOSITION OF SENATE 77

Motion: Rep. Stickney moved BE CONCURRED IN. Rep. Hansen seconded.

Discussion: Rep. Good stated that she hoped everyone was "listening up" and realized that with the repeal of I-105 this bill would represent a 10% increase.

Rep. Wallin stated that some groups of people have to have limits placed on them. His county commissioners have not contacted him about this bill so he did not think that it was a major concern.

Rep. Dave Brown stated that one-half of the counties are at or exceeding the maximum. This is a local control issue - if the county commissioners levy additional mils they should take the heat at home and won't be re-elected.

Rep. Hansen stated that this bill shifts where the taxes are spent. This increase is not unreasonable. The committee was provided with the number of mils in each county but it would be interesting to see how many miles of road within each county.

Rep. Stickney stated that knowing the Custer County commissioners, there is little chance that the levy would be abused. She concurred with Rep. Brown.

Rep. Gould that he was concerned that this is not an increase but a shift. Missoula County has had problems with the library funds. Libraries are vitally important and taxpayers use roads every day but do not use libraries every day. Libraries would get shorted. He opposes the bill unless Class I counties are taken out of it.

Rep. Hoffman said that he was concerned with such a large increase (66-2/3% increase). Fifty percent is big. Twenty-five may be reasonable. When inflation increases, usually the taxable valuation does too.

Rep. Hansen pointed out to Rep. Gould that everybody can testify on the budget to not change the library mils. If the people of Missoula County don't want mils taken from the library fund they can lobby that way. Many counties' mil levies have decreased while inflation has gone up and Missoula is an example of that.

Rep. Darko stated that Lincoln County is lucky that it doesn't have to levy mils for roads and income is generated from the road fund to keep other levies down. However, people expect and demand road service. Local officials need the flexibility, maybe not as much as they have requested, but they should be given the flexibility. If the roads aren't maintained then people cannot get to work.

Amendments, Discussion, and Votes: None

Recommendation and Vote: The motion CARRIED 9 to 7 on a roll
call vote.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment At: 4:45 p.m.



REP. PAULA DARKO, Chairman

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DAILY ROLL CALL

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

COMMITTEE

DATE

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NAME	PRESENT	ABSENT	EXCUSED
BROOKE, VIVIAN	X		
BROWN, DAVE	<i>h</i>		X
BROWN, JAN	X		
DARKO, PAULA	X		
GOOD, SUSAN	X		
GOULD, BUDD	X		
GUTHRIE, BERT	X		
HANSEN, STELLA JEAN	X		
HOFFMAN, ROBERT	X		
JOHNSON, JOHN	X		
MCDONOUGH, MARY	X		
NELSON, THOMAS	X		
REHBERG, DENNIS	X		
STICKNEY, JESSICA	X		
WALLIN, NORM	X		
WYATT, DIANA	X		

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

March 3, 1989

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Mr. Speaker: We, the committee on Local Government report that
SENATE BILL 77 (REFERENCE copy -- blue) be concurred in .

Signed: _____
Paula Darko, Chairman

[REP. STELLA JEAN HANSEN WILL CARRY THIS BILL ON THE HOUSE FLOOR]

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IV. TRANSPORTATION/INFRASTRUCTURE

BASIC PHILOSOPHY

TRANSPORTATION

It shall be the policy of the Montana Association of Counties to:

- 1) Promote, offer suggestions and new ideas, investigate methods and research costs of providing improved and economical transportation for the public.
- 2) Coordinate transportation planning for all units of local government below the state level.
- 3) Consciously use and plan county roads as tools to encourage proper land use. The location of roads is a major factor in the pattern of controlled land development. Carefully planned road locations and reconstruction may promote proper land use.
- 4) Encourage improvements in signing, reconstruction and new construction based on a thorough study of available information. Efforts should be directed to develop a road and sign inventory using a uniform system.
- 5) Urge legislation or policy aimed at placing disposition of road funds at the county level.
- 6) Work with individual counties to develop road standards applicable to the county situation.
- 7) Pursue the development of planning, design, construction and specifications manuals for county government and seek

state or federal funding for the project.

- 8) Obtain a permissive levy for county roads to allow county government to meet their transportation obligation to the citizens and to pursue other alternatives to funding roads.
- 9) Work with the Department of Highways on the maintenance responsibilities of unclassified roads.
- 10) Seek legislation to require state maintenance of all secondary roads that were completely paved by counties prior to 1977.
- 11) Seek legislation to broaden tax levy authority under MCA 7-14-2502 to allow a maximum bridge levy of 8 mills.
- 12) Seek legislation to secure state and federal assistance in the construction and maintenance of roads used for recreational purposes or for access to public lands while granting counties greater discretion in determining road status and funding priorities.

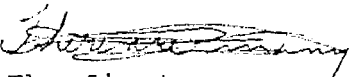
INFRASTRUCTURE FUND

Montana Counties support legislation that would create a State Infrastructure Fund designed to address the needs of Montana as they are were identified in the Governor's Infrastructure Task Force Report, as submitted to the 1985 Legislature, and by local communities.

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We wish to go on record in opposition to SB 77 because we believe this raise in levy is not needed at this time. We observe government working for government solely without regard for the taxpayers of this state. We think that co. finance is a skewed mess and things that are mandated by state law in some instances are taking a back-seat to other activities that are being funded in the counties.

Since the inception and passage of I 105 we have listened to a parade of government officials screaming about the lack of funds, beating the electorate over the head, and declaring a freeze that is creating havoc with the system. We believe that the philosophy that caused the freeze to pass was the view that the people of the state of Montana want less government, not more. There are certain functions such as roads that are priority for the people, but somewhere the message has not gotten through to the local officials or the legislature. It is your responsibility to see that the basic needs of the citizens are taken care of and also to see that there is program in place to curtail spending.


The first message that should be sent to local officials is that they only fund legislative mandated activities. Secondly, the legislature itself should not give any more work to the counties or complicate their duties in any way.

Our group has had an on-going budget study with the officials in our county and we understand what they do and where the money goes. No one will ever be able to satisfy government's lust for money nor its ability to erode their own tax base.

Within the past few years we have watched millions of dollars of real-estate removed from the tax rolls for housing projects, and there are other millions of tax dollars sitting in a fund for redevelopment projects.

We have approximately 7 million dollars in a delinquent & protested taxes and some of the money will be lost to bankruptcies in Missoula county. We have not found any of our members on this list---we pay our taxes. As legislators, you should realize that every extra dollar you funnel into government is a dollar taken out of the local economy that the local merchants never see. We would also suggest that you take a close look into the co budgets and see how much money is spent on travel, meals, lodging, dues, and memberships.

Now for the roads-----we have observed that the road department in our area has proved to be its own problem by literally destroying the surface on our gravel roads. They also failed to cooperate with a group in one end of the county on a maintenance project that would have been perpetual. In '85 our county did not levy the full amount allowed by law and this past year they did not either.

we would support more money for roads if it was included in the general fund ,given top priority and the general fund was capped at the current level. That would allow counties budget flexibility to take care of their greatest needs and assurance for taxpayers that the funds would be used for the benefit of the people.

We ask that you ammend this bill and remov e first-class counties and leave the levy at 15 mills.

Send a message to local government to make do, keep the essential, mandated services in place and return in two with a plan to re-structure county government finance.

Unless the bill is ammended to strike first-class counties, we would ask that you give it a do not pass.

Julie Harker

ROLL CALL VOTE

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

COMMITTEE

DATE

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BILL NO.

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NUMBER

NAME	AYE	NAY
GOOD, SUSAN		X
GOULD, BUDD		X
GUTHRIE, BERT		X
HOFFMAN, ROBERT		X
NELSON, THOMAS		X
REHBERG, DENNIS		X
WALLIN, NORM		X
BROOKE, VIVIAN	X	
BROWN, DAVE	X	
BROWN, JAN	X	
HANSEN, STELLA JEAN	X	
JOHNSON, JOHN	X	
MCDONOUGH, MARY	X	
STICKNEY, JESSICA	X	
WYATT, DIANA	X	
DARKO, PAULA	X	

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Tami Dore
Secretary

Paula A. Darko
Chairman

Motion: Rep. Stickney moved SB 77 BE CONCURRED IN. Rep.

Hansen seconded. The motion CARRIED 9 to 7.

Local Government COMMITTEE

DATE 3/2/89

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PLEASE LEAVE PREPARED STATEMENT WITH SECRETARY.

FY 1983 COUNTY ROAD FUND BUDGETS

BUDGETED PROPERTY TAX REQUIREMENTS

COUNTY	COUNTY ONLY POPULATION	COUNTY ONLY MILL VALUE	TOTAL BUDGETED EXPENDITURES	TOTAL NON-TAX REVENUES	PROPERTY TAX REVENUE	FY 88-89 MILL LEVY	PER CAPITA LEVY	BUDGETED CAS RESERVE
MUSSELSHELL	1,790	\$12,444	\$201,218	\$78,892	\$118,332	9.509	\$66.11	\$50.7
PARK	6,290	\$12,354	\$409,280	\$187,306	\$143,804	11.640	\$22.86	\$55.2
PETROLEUM	380	\$2,896	\$167,400	\$103,000	\$8,688	3.000	\$22.86	\$18.1
PHILLIPS	2,570	\$30,377	\$937,000	\$212,160	\$455,655	15.000	\$177.30	\$293.1
PIONEER	3,150	\$14,701	\$505,088	\$148,050	\$220,515	15.000	\$70.00	\$70.
POWDER RIVER	1,690	\$16,754	\$434,770	\$79,795	\$37,820	5.839	\$57.88	\$122.
RYANELL	2,850	\$8,502	\$507,645	\$232,267	\$127,530	15.000	\$44.75	\$103.
PRAIRIE	730	\$3,779	\$213,500	\$58,150	\$52,910	14.001	\$72.48	\$70.
RAVALLI	19,110	\$22,612	\$900,060	\$416,245	\$284,464	12.580	\$14.89	\$210
RICHMOND	5,710	\$60,620	\$2,308,989	\$329,945	\$909,285	15.000	\$159.24	\$25
RIDGEVELT	5,250	\$40,882	\$1,248,901	\$92,650	\$613,228	15.000	\$116.81	\$415
ROSEBUD	9,660	\$212,457	\$1,527,329	\$241,625	\$697,920	3.285	\$72.25	\$485
SANDERS	5,610	\$27,363	\$983,993	\$484,750	\$426,877	15.601	\$76.09	\$71
SHERIDAN	2,130	\$36,212	\$1,080,000	\$216,350	\$434,674	12.004	\$204.07	\$19
SILVER BOW	34,000	\$37,454	\$1,597,797	\$1,021,189	\$346,381	9.248	\$10.19	\$12
STILLWATER	4,610	\$16,182	\$415,792	\$108,796	\$289,836	18.000	\$62.87	\$1
SWEET GRASS	1,580	\$5,275	\$156,054	\$64,364	\$94,954	18.001	\$60.10	\$
TEBON	3,540	\$13,592	\$440,000	\$125,207	\$250,501	18.430	\$70.76	\$
TOWLE	1,760	\$27,382	\$586,800	\$65,500	\$246,429	9.000	\$140.02	\$1
TREASURE	500	\$4,174	\$169,203	\$20,270	\$32,127	22.072	\$184.25	\$
VALLEY	4,320	\$25,689	\$800,000	\$381,650	\$385,341	15.000	\$89.20	\$
WHEATLAND	910	\$6,615	\$244,000	\$28,330	\$119,067	18.000	\$130.84	\$
WIBAUT	650	\$16,238	\$590,761	\$150,001	\$227,329	14.000	\$349.74	\$
YELLOWSTONE	32,240	\$81,893	\$2,213,683	\$1,007,495	\$1,228,395	15.000	\$38.10	\$
TOTAL	405,660	\$1,496,375	\$43,241,944	\$15,670,553	\$17,063,489	11.403	\$42.06	7
FY 88 TOTAL	405,660	\$1,530,173	\$43,672,144	\$15,943,865	\$17,162,487	11.216	\$42.31	7
% CHANGE		-2.3%	-1.0%	-1.7%	-0.6%	1.6%	-0.6%	

1989 COUNTY ROAD FUND BUDGETS

BUDGETED PROPERTY TAX REQUIREMENTS

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CITY	COUNTY ONLY POPULATION	COUNTY ONLY MILL VALUE	TOTAL BUDGETED EXPENDITURES	TOTAL NON-TAX REVENUES	PROPERTY TAX REVENUE	FY 88-89 MILL LEVY	PER CAPITA LEVY	BUDGETED CASH RESERVE
OVERHEAD	4,050	\$11,188	\$550,533	\$261,500	\$145,447	13.000	\$35.91	\$31,000
S HORN	7,720	\$102,463	\$1,445,034	\$126,500	\$930,056	9.077	\$120.47	\$289,007
ADAMS	4,330	\$28,861	\$819,577	\$130,001	\$429,800	14.892	\$99.26	\$100,000
ANDOVER	1,480	\$9,692	\$247,209	\$99,131	\$52,095	5.375	\$35.20	\$81,579
BARBON	4,650	\$21,605	\$527,940	\$183,800	\$258,144	11.948	\$55.51	\$175,980
BARTER	1,170	\$4,811	\$327,000	\$98,577	\$86,598	18.000	\$74.02	\$148,899
BENDE	20,270	\$35,723	\$1,242,356	\$581,381	\$535,845	15.000	\$26.44	\$117,308
BOUTEAU	3,250	\$23,570	\$911,524	\$191,600	\$353,550	15.000	\$108.78	\$125,000
BUSTER	3,630	\$7,803	\$340,551	\$90,935	\$161,658	20.717	\$44.53	\$44,070
CHIELS	1,220	\$5,459	\$325,862	\$71,603	\$98,259	17.999	\$80.54	\$0
CHISON	5,370	\$15,537	\$520,162	\$260,910	\$233,060	15.000	\$43.40	\$77,845
DEER LODGE	10,700	\$8,680	\$442,506	\$0	\$0	0.000	\$0.00	\$0
FALLON	1,210	\$68,358	\$1,423,101	\$76,585	\$399,139	5.839	\$329.87	\$368,275
FERGUS	4,950	\$14,604	\$531,138	\$290,149	\$219,045	14.999	\$44.25	\$76,728
FLATHEAD	38,260	\$59,704	\$2,960,055	\$1,795,400	\$865,709	14.500	\$22.63	\$592,344
GALLATIN	17,330	\$35,803	\$1,042,148	\$427,133	\$483,705	13.510	\$27.91	\$224,417
GARFIELD	1,250	\$6,267	\$263,500	\$105,750	\$112,801	17.999	\$90.24	\$76,131
GLACIER	6,170	\$29,380	\$768,800	\$142,175	\$440,685	14.999	\$71.42	\$153,760
GOLDEN VALLEY	610	\$4,526	\$144,000	\$15,435	\$81,468	18.000	\$133.55	\$48,000
GRANITE	1,030	\$6,076	\$259,031	\$117,082	\$109,368	18.000	\$106.18	\$86,343
HILL	6,970	\$28,580	\$748,480	\$163,515	\$428,700	15.000	\$61.51	\$227,000
JEFFERSON	5,520	\$18,987	\$552,930	\$204,503	\$240,181	12.690	\$43.51	\$182,466
JUDITH BASIN	1,780	\$7,841	\$391,576	\$250,650	\$174,360	22.237	\$97.96	\$0
LAKE	14,730	\$25,427	\$995,000	\$306,417	\$381,139	14.990	\$25.88	\$303,947
LEWIS & CLARK	19,700	\$28,108	\$915,554	\$462,800	\$404,502	14.391	\$20.53	\$136,000
LIBERTY	1,290	\$13,118	\$538,749	\$158,476	\$188,375	14.360	\$146.03	\$25,000
LINCOLN	13,470	\$31,505	\$1,873,855	\$1,555,622	\$0	0.000	\$0.00	\$0
MADISON	3,830	\$14,525	\$361,091	\$64,566	\$152,655	10.510	\$39.86	\$48,524
MCCONE	1,670	\$7,776	\$314,729	\$188,350	\$139,962	17.999	\$83.81	\$82,153
MEADNER	890	\$7,200	\$265,817	\$74,645	\$128,805	17.890	\$144.72	\$28,000
MINERAL	2,390	\$7,762	\$246,513	\$179,673	\$0	0.000	\$0.00	\$0
MISSOULA	43,740	\$69,129	\$2,299,360	\$1,125,702	\$956,316	13.834	\$21.86	\$220,796